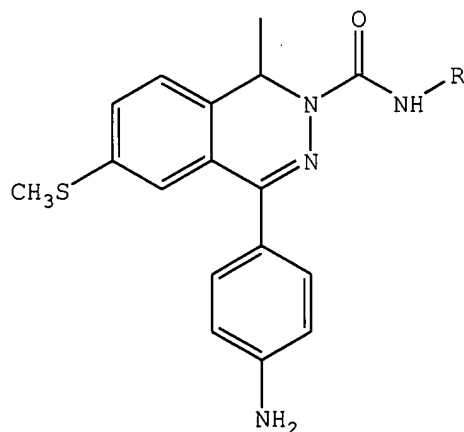


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**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the abstract of the disclosure at page 44 with the following amended abstract:

--Substituted dihydrophthalazine sulfur containing compositions are provided which are active as non-NMDA ionotropic excitatory amino acid (EAA) receptor antagonists. The compositions are useful for treating disorders associated with excessive activation of the non-NMDA subtype of the ionotropic EAA receptor. The compounds further are useful as testing agents to identify and characterize other compounds for the treatment of these disorders. The compounds are useful therapeutically as sedatives or for the treatment of ~~neurosypharmacological~~ neuropsychopharmacological disorders such as stroke, ischemia and epilepsy. The compositions may be provided in combination with a suitable carrier for oral or parenteral administration. The compounds may be administered orally or parenterally for the treatment of a variety of disorders associated with non-NMDA EEA receptor function.



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Please replace the paragraph under the heading "Cross-reference to Related Applications" with the following rewritten paragraph:

--This application is a continuation of U.S.S.N. Patent Application Serial No. 09/833,855 filed April 12, 2001 now U.S. Patent No. 6,703,390 issued March 9, 2004, which claims the benefit of U.S.S.N. Patent Application Serial No. 60/196,823 filed April 3, 2000.--